

CLAIMS

1-11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) An electronic data processing method comprising:

- a) ~~computer code for~~ identifying an intellectual property;
- b) ~~computer code for~~ identifying initial ownership of said intellectual property;
- c) ~~computer code for~~ assessing a value for said intellectual property using at least one algorithm;
- d) ~~computer code for~~ obtaining title to said intellectual property;
 - <d1> in exchange, ~~computer code for~~ paying the initial ownership, from a general trust account, an amount not more than the assessed value of said intellectual property;
 - <d2> ~~computer code for~~ obtaining funding for said general trust account from a plurality of initial investor accounts;
- e) ~~computer code for~~ creating said investor accounts by identifying a plurality of investors, obtaining an initial amount from each of said investors and associating in at least one electronic database at least a portion of said initial amount with at least one investor account for each said investor;
- f) ~~computer code for~~ granting a license to said initial ownership to use said intellectual property in exchange for at least one payment from said initial ownership;
- g) ~~computer code for~~ allocating said at least one payment from said initial ownership to said general trust account in the at least one electronic database;
- h) ~~computer code for~~ allocating payments from said general trust account to at least one of said investor accounts in the at least one electronic database;
- i) ~~computer code for~~ identifying at least one other intellectual property;
- j) ~~computer code for~~ identifying initial ownership of said at least one other intellectual property;
- k) ~~computer code for~~ assessing a value for said at least one other intellectual property using the at least one algorithm;

l) ~~computer code for~~ obtaining title to said at least one other intellectual property in exchange for paying not more than the assessed value of said at least one other intellectual property to said initial ownership;

<11> ~~computer code for~~ obtaining said payment to the initial ownership from a general trust account;

<12> ~~computer code for~~ obtaining funding for said general trust account from at least one subsequent investor account;

m) ~~computer code for~~ creating said subsequent investor accounts in the at least one electronic database by identifying a plurality of investors, obtaining an initial amount from each of said subsequent investors and associating at least a portion of said initial amount with said investor account in the at least one electronic database for each said subsequent investor;

n) ~~computer code for~~ granting a license to said initial ownership to use said at least one other intellectual property in exchange for at least one payment from said initial ownership;

o) ~~computer code for~~ allocating said at least one payment for said license for said at least one other intellectual property from said initial ownership to said general trust account in the at least one electronic database;

p) ~~computer code for~~ allocating payments from said general trust account to at least one of said subsequent investor accounts in the at least one electronic database.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12 further comprising ~~computer code for~~ granting a limited license to a party other than the original user of said intellectual property and obtaining at least one payment from said licensee of said intellectual property for a license to use said intellectual property.

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12 further comprising ~~computer code for~~ allocating payments from said general trust account to at least one account other than an investor account in the at least one electronic database.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 12 further comprising ~~computer code for~~ allocating payments to said investor accounts in the at least one electronic database using at

least one algorithm that considers factors in addition to the initial amount obtained from said investor.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 12 wherein at least one subsequent investor account and at least one initial investor account are the same.

17. (Original) The method of claim 12 wherein the subsequent investor accounts are different from the at least one initial investor account.

18-43. (Cancelled)